SENATE BILL 1980

By Stevens

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 40, Chapter 38, Part 6, relative to the address confidentiality program.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

- SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-38-601(2), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting instead the following:
 - (2) "Administrator of elections" means the chief county election administrative officer appointed by the county election commission and such official's designee or designees;
- SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-38-602(a), is amended by deleting the subsection and substituting instead the following:
 - (a) The secretary of state shall establish a crime victim address confidentiality program, which must be open to all Tennessee residents who are victims of domestic abuse, stalking, human trafficking, rape, sexual battery, or any other sexual offense who satisfy the requirements of this part, at no cost to the program participant.
- SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-38-604(b)(4), is amended by deleting the language "or an ex parte protection order".
- SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-38-608(a)(2), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting instead the following:
 - (2) The program participant failed to relocate to a new address or failed to provide documentary evidence of the new residence address to the secretary of state, in the form and manner prescribed by the secretary of state, within ninety (90) days from

the date of application, unless the secretary of state determines that the program participant is currently residing at a shelter, as defined by § 71-6-202, or a similar facility; SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-38-608(a)(5), is amended by deleting the language "sixty (60) days" and substituting instead the language "twenty (20) days". SECTION 6. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.